

BEFORE THE  
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20268-0001

MAIL PROCESSING NETWORK RATIONALIZATION  
SERVICE CHANGES, 2011

Docket No. N2012-1

**RESPONSE OF UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE WITNESS BRATTA TO  
AMERICAN POSTAL WORKERS UNION INTERROGATORY REDIRECTED FROM  
WITNESS NERI TO WITNESS BRATTA (APWU/USPS-T4-9)**  
(January 12, 2012)

The United States Postal Service hereby provides the response of witness Bratta (USPS-T-5) to the above-listed question from the American Postal Workers Union, redirected from witness Neri (USPS-T-4) and dated December 29, 2011. The question is stated verbatim and followed by the response.

Respectfully submitted,

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**APWU/USPS-T4-9** On page 22 of your testimony you indicate that “it is imperative that the Postal Service reduce on-hand [mail processing equipment] by repositioning and/or disposing of it.”

a) Is there anything that currently prevents the Postal Service from repositioning or disposing of mail processing equipment that it no longer needs in a specific location?

b) What steps are currently followed to recover the investment value of excess mail processing equipment?

c) For each of the P&DCs that have been closed since 2008, what has been done with the equipment in that location?

d) For each of the P&DCs that have been closed since 2008, what has been done with the building?

**RESPONSE:**

(a) The Postal Service has the option of repositioning or disposing of its mail processing equipment, and it exercises this option routinely.

(b-c) For excess equipment or equipment from P&DCs that have closed since 2008, the Postal Service has multiple options - relocation, disposal, modification, storage, and/or sale. The Postal Service determines which option(s) to apply to an individual piece of equipment based on equipment life, potential utilization, operational needs, equipment condition, and Postal Service mandates.

(d) The Postal Service selected from several options, including sale, lease termination, maintenance for storage or other operations, lease, or vacancy.